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1725 (MDCCXXV) was a common year starting on Monday of the Gregorian calendar and a common year starting on Friday of the Julian calendar, the 1725th year of the Common Era (CE) and *Anno Domini* (AD) designations, the 725th year of the 2nd millennium, the 25th year of the 18th century, and the 6th year of the 1720s decade. As of the start of 1725, the Gregorian calendar was 11 days ahead of the Julian calendar, which remained in localized use until 1923.

Millennium:	2nd millennium
Centuries:	17th century · **18th century** · 19th century
Decades:	1700s · 1710s · **1720s** · 1730s · 1740s
Years:	1722 · 1723 · 1724 · **1725** · 1726 · 1727 · 1728

1725 in various calendars

Gregorian calendar	1725 *MDCCXXV*
Ab urbe condita	2478
Armenian calendar	1174 ԹՎ ՌՃՀԴ
Assyrian calendar	6475
Balinese saka calendar	1646–1647
Bengali calendar	1132
Berber calendar	2675
British Regnal year	11 Geo. 1 – 12 Geo. 1
Buddhist calendar	2269
Burmese calendar	1087
Byzantine calendar	7233–7234
Chinese calendar	甲辰年 (Wood Dragon) 4421 or 4361 — *to* — 乙巳年

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Asia

- The Terengganu Sultanate is established at Terengganu Darul Iman (now known as Terengganu Darul Iman, Malaysia).

January–June

- February 8 – Catherine I becomes Empress of Russia, on the death of her husband, Peter the Great.[1]
- February 20 – The first reported case of white men scalping Native Americans takes place in New Hampshire colony.
- March 2 – In London, a night watchman finds a severed head by the River Thames; it is later recognized to be that

of the husband of Catherine Hayes. She and an accomplice are later executed.[2]

- March 30 – The second performance of Johann Sebastian Bach's *St John Passion*, BWV 245 (including 5 movements from his *Weimarer Passion*), takes place at St. Thomas Church, Leipzig.
- April 30 – Charles VI, Holy Roman Emperor and King Philip V of Spain sign the Treaty of Vienna.
- May 12 – The *Black Watch* is raised as a military company, as part of the pacification of the Scottish Highlands under General George Wade.[3]
- May 21 – The Order of Saint Alexander Nevsky is instituted in Russia by Empress Catherine I.
- May 24 – Jonathan Wild, fraudulent *Thief-Taker General*, is hanged at Tyburn in London, for actually aiding criminals.
- June 24 – The Grand Lodge of Ireland in Dublin holds its first recorded meeting, making it the second most senior Grand Lodge in world Freemasonry, and the oldest in continuous existence.[4]

July–December

- September 16 – The Treaty of Hanover is signed between Great Britain, France and Prussia.

Date unknown

- A fire in Wapping, London, destroys 70 houses.
- In Qing dynasty China, 66 copies of a 5,020 volume-long encyclopedia, the *Gujin Tushu Jicheng* (*Complete Collection of Illustrations and Writings from the Earliest to Current Times*) are printed, necessitating the crafting of 250,000 movable type characters cast in bronze.
- 1725–1730 – Freemasonry is established in France, as an English import.

Births

- January 25 – Antoine Court de Gébelin, French pastor (d. 1784)
- February 4 – Dru Drury, English entomologist (d. 1803)
- February 5
  - James Otis, American lawyer, patriot (d. 1783)
  - Anna Maria Rückerschöld, Swedish author (d. 1805)
- February 15 – Abraham Clark, American signer of the Declaration of Independence (d. 1794)
- February 25 – Karl Wilhelm Ramler, German poet (d. 1798)

	(Wood Snake) 4422 or 4362
Coptic calendar	1441–1442
Discordian calendar	2891
Ethiopian calendar	1717–1718
Hebrew calendar	5485–5486
Hindu calendars	
- *Vikram Samvat*	1781–1782
- *Shaka Samvat*	1646–1647
- *Kali Yuga*	4825–4826
Holocene calendar	11725
Igbo calendar	725–726
Iranian calendar	1103–1104
Islamic calendar	1137–1138
Japanese calendar	Kyōhō 10 (享保１０年)
Javanese calendar	1649–1650
Julian calendar	Gregorian minus 11 days
Korean calendar	4058
Minguo calendar	187 before ROC 民前187年
Nanakshahi calendar	257
Thai solar calendar	2267–2268
Tibetan calendar	阳木龙年 (male Wood-Dragon) 1851 or 1470 or 698 *— to —* 阴木蛇年 (female Wood-Snake)

- February 26 – Nicolas-Joseph Cugnot, French steam vehicle pioneer (d. 1804)
- March 6 – Henry Benedict Stuart, Italian-born cardinal, Jacobite claimant to the British throne (d. 1807)
- March 17 – Lachlan McIntosh, Scottish-born American military and political leader (d. 1806)
- March 20 – Abdul Hamid I, Ottoman Sultan (d. 1789)
- March 24
  - Samuel Ashe, Governor of North Carolina (d. 1813)
  - Thomas Cushing, American Continental Congressman (d. 1788)
- March 28 – Andrew Kippis, English non-conformist clergyman, biographer
- April 2 – Giacomo Casanova, Italian adventurer, writer (d. 1798)
- April 6 – Pasquale Paoli, Corsican patriot, military leader (d. 1807)
- April 23 – Gerard Majella, Italian Catholic lay brother and saint (d. 1755)
- April 25 – Augustus Keppel, 1st Viscount Keppel, British admiral (d. 1786)
- May 12 – Louis Philippe I, Duke of Orléans, French soldier, writer (d. 1785)
- May 25 – Samuel Ward, American politician (d. 1776)
- June 29 – Maria Teresa Cybo-Malaspina, Duchess of Massa, Italian ruler (d. 1790)
- July 1 – Rhoda Delaval, English portrait painter (d. 1757)
- July 4
  - Jean-Baptiste Luton Durival, French historian, diplomat and Encyclopédiste (d. 1810)
  - Jean-Baptiste Donatien de Vimeur, comte de Rochambeau, French soldier (d. 1807)
- July 24 – John Newton, English cleric and hymnist (d. 1807)
- August 21 – Jean-Baptiste Greuze, French painter (d. 1805)
- August 29 – Charles Townshend, English politician (d. 1767)
- September 5 – Jean-Étienne Montucla, French mathematician (d. 1799)
- September 12 – Guillaume Le Gentil, French astronomer (d. 1792)
- September 16
  - Nicolas Desmarest, French geologist (d. 1815)
  - Anna Barbara Gignoux, German industrialist (d. 1796)
- September 24 – Arthur Guinness, Irish brewer (d. 1803)
- September 29 – Robert Clive, British general, statesman (d. 1774)
- October 12 – Étienne Louis Geoffroy, French pharmacist, entomologist (d. 1810)
- October 21 – Franz Moritz Graf von Lacy, Austrian field marshal (d. 1801)
- December 11 – George Mason, American founding father (d. 1792)
- December 18 – Johann Salomo Semler, German historian, Bible commentator (d. 1791)
- *date unknown* – Magdalena Dávalos y Maldonado, Ecuadorian scholar, socialite (d. 1806)

1852 or 1471 or 699

Giacomo Casanova

Maria Teresa Cybo-Malaspina, Duchess of Massa

Deaths

- January 6 – Chikamatsu Monzaemon, Japanese dramatist (b. 1653)

- January 26 – Sulkhan-Saba Orbeliani, Georgian prince (b. 1658)
- January 29 – Nuno Álvares Pereira de Melo, 1st Duke of Cadaval, Portuguese nobleman and statesman (b. 1638)
- February 7 – Johann Philipp Krieger, German Baroque composer (b. 1649)
- February 8 – Emperor Peter I of Russia (b. 1672)
- March 2 – José Benito de Churriguera, Spanish architect, sculptor (b. 1665)
- March 10 – John Conyers, English politician (b. 1650)
- March 30 – René de Froulay de Tessé, French Marshal and diplomat (b. 1648)
- April 8 – John Wise, English clergyman (b. 1652)
- April 12 – Giovanni Battista Foggini, Italian artist (b. 1652)
- April 25 – Paul de Rapin, French historian (b. 1661)
- May 22 – Robert Molesworth, 1st Viscount Molesworth, Irish politician (b. 1656)
- May 24 – Jonathan Wild, English criminal (b. 1682)
- May 31 – Erik Carlsson Sjöblad, Swedish governor, admiral, and baron (b. 1647)
- June 29
  - Arai Hakuseki, Japanese poet, politician, and writer (b. 1657)
  - Juan Manuel Fernández Pacheco, 8th Duke of Escalona, Spanish aristocrat (b. 1650)
- July 11 – Salomon Franck, German lawyer, scientist, poet (b. 1659)
- July 17 – Thomas King, English and British soldier, MP for Queenborough, lieutenant-governor of Sheerness (b. before 1660?)[5]
- September 16 – Antoine V de Gramont, French military leader (b. 1672)
- October 10
  - Francesco del Giudice, Italian Catholic cardinal (b. 1647)
  - Philippe de Rigaud Vaudreuil, Governor-General of New France
- October 11 – Hans Herr, Swiss-born Mennonite bishop (b. 1639)
- October 16 – Ralph Thoresby, British historian (b. 1658)
- October 24 – Alessandro Scarlatti, Italian composer (b. 1660)
- November 20 – William, Landgrave of Hesse-Rotenburg (from 1683) (b. 1648)
- December 7 – Florent Carton Dancourt, French dramatist, actor (b. 1661)
- December 10 – Nicolaas Hartsoeker, Dutch mathematician and physicist (b. 1656)
- *date unknown*
  - Giuseppe Mazzuoli, Italian sculptor (b. 1644)
  - José Mora, Spanish sculptor (b. 1638)
  - Nguyễn Phúc Chu, Vietnamese ruler (b. 1675)
  - Petar Blagojević, Serbian peasant, alleged vampire
  - Alicia D'Anvers, English poet (b. 1688)
- *probable*
  - Leendert Hasenbosch, Dutch castaway on Ascension Island (b. c. 1695)
  - Keawe ʻīkekahiali ʻiokamoku, ruler of Hawaii

Emperor Peter I of Russia

Jonathan Wild

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